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NMCH celebrates 'Securing the Vote: Women's Suffrage in Indiana'

The North Manchester Center for History (NMCH) invites visitors to enjoy a new traveling exhibit from the Indiana Historical Society (IHS) marking the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment, which recognized a woman's right to vote. The exhibit, "Securing the Vote: Women's Suffrage in Indiana," will be open to the public through Saturday, Aug. 21 at 122 E. Main St., North Manchester. For more information, call 260-982-0672 or visit www.northmanchestercenterforhistory.org.

Clark Gallery exhibit presents rich contributions of Latino artists

"Artes Latinas in Wabash," on display through Sunday, Aug. 22 in the Honeywell Center Clark Gallery, presents the rich and varied contributions of Latino artists.

The exhibit presents the artistic creations of six professional artists, including various styles such as illustration, printmaking, painting, muralism and graphic design.

Works featured in the exhibit are presented by Colombian, Puerto Rican, Nuyorican and Mexican artists. In addition, the exhibit features the artistic creations of Wabash County students who worked alongside visiting artist Ana Velazquez for We the Many, a project of Arts Midwest. For more information, visit HoneywellArts.org.

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Local COVID-19 level up to orange

Advisory level hasn't been this high since February; ISDH reports 4,000th confirmed Wabash County case on Friday

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

For the first time in half a year, Wabash County's COVID-19 advisory level was raised Wednesday by the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) from yellow,

the second-lowest category, to orange, the second-highest level.

Just two weeks ago, Wabash County's advisory COVID-19 advisory level was in the blue, or lowest, category, according to the ISDH.

The last time the local advisory level was in the orange, as it is now, was in February. At that time, the ISDH had downgraded Wabash County's status from orange to yellow.

Local cases had remained somewhat lower in the months which followed, but comparatively dismal vaccination rates along with the rise of variants, including Delta, have fueled a surge in cases both locally and statewide.

"Right now it doesn't appear that the Delta variant is more severe necessarily in our children, but just by the nature of having more cases in our 0 to 19 age group, we have more youth hospitalized," said state health commissioner Dr. Kristina Box, during a televised press conference on Wednesday.

On Friday, the ISDH reported 22 new positive local COVID-19 cases, bringing Wabash County's total to

4,005, with 16,746 tests. The local seven-day positivity rating for all tests was 9.6 percent. The local seven-day positivity rating for unique individuals was 24.8 percent.

The ISDH has reported 84 confirmed COVID-19 deaths in Wabash County since the start of the pandemic.

In the zip code comprising Wabash, 46992, only 38.5 percent of those eligible

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Master gardeners maintain Salamonie's butterfly garden



Photos by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

Huntington County master gardeners meet at Salamonie Lake's butterfly garden each Monday.

Huntington County chapter meets for gardening, fellowship each Monday

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Every Monday morning, a select group of horticultural enthusiasts descends on the butterfly garden next to Salamonie Lake's Interpretive Center.

On one such recent day, Huntington County master gardener Kay Lilie said she and other members of their local group make it a point to work on the garden each week.

"We come out here every Monday," said Lilie. "We just clean up everything. We spray the paths and we take the weeds out and cut back the dead flowers, just keep it looking nice for people to enjoy."

Lilie said they were very pleased with the garden's progress this year as the weather had been cooperative.

"We've gotten just a nice amount of rain," said Lilie.

Lilie said, however, that nearby creatures had noticed the thriving garden, as well.

"Earlier on, we had a lot of deer eating our things this year, but other than that everything is doing pretty well," said Lilie.

Lilie said the Brood X of 17-year-old cicadas which were trilling in the woods behind them hadn't been much of a problem, though.

"This is the first time I've heard the cicadas. They've been promising that since last year. Seventeen years, you know, and today is the first day I've heard them," said Lilie.

Lilie said they maintained this garden to help the local population of pollinators to complete their appointed rounds.

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Monarch and swallowtail butterfly caterpillars have been seen in the garden this year.

Two dead after shooting at NHK in Clinton County

Frankfort man charged with two counts of murder; death penalty sought if convicted

STAFF REPORT

Two women are dead, and a man is in custody after a shooting in the parking lot of the new NHK Seating of America plant at Ind. 28 and I-65 in Clinton County.

At approximately 4:16 p.m. Wednesday, Clinton County 911 began receiving calls regarding a shooting at NHK. When emergency personnel ar-



AARON KENNEDY / akennedy@tntimes.com

Clinton County Sheriff Rich Kelly speaks to the media during an 8:30 p.m. press conference in the aftermath of Wednesday's fatal shooting at NHK Seating of America's new manufacturing plant.

rived, they found two female victims. Both were pronounced dead at the scene. The victims were identified as 62-year-old Pa-

mela Sledd and her 21-year-old granddaughter, Promise Mays.

"I know the tragedy that Clinton County has faced

today is something that will never go forgotten or unnoticed," Clinton County Sheriff Rich Kelly said. "The two people who lost their lives today were a grandmother and granddaughter traveling to work together to start their shift."

The multiple 911 calls to Central Dispatch led to the quick arrest of a suspect in the shooting.

"My staff took approximately nine 911 calls in a short time," said Renee Crick, director of Clinton County Central Dispatch. "My staff immediately dispatched police, fire and EMS out to the NHK

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MCS to announce new schools chief on Tuesday

Former superintendent Teresa Gremaux is now at East Noble

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Just shy of two months after announcing their previous superintendent was leaving, the Manchester Community Schools (MCS) board is set to announce their pick for replacement next week.

On Thursday, Aug. 19, MCS executive secretary Melissa Walt said the MCS board would hold a special meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 24 at the MCS Administration Office, 404 W. 9th St., North Manchester.

In addition to a strategic planning update and the approval of Bondry Consulting engagement letters, the meeting is set to feature the approval of the superintendent contract and comments from the new superintendent.

Until this week, MCS was in the process of searching for a new superintendent. Teresa Gremaux informed the board of her resignation plans.

On June 30, MCS communications director Randy Self said Gremaux had been offered and intended to accept employment with another school corporation.

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Local Boy Scout earns Eagle status

Kaden Dillon is first new Wabash County Eagle Scout in 2021

By ROB BURGESS
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

For the first time this year, Wabash County has a new Eagle Scout.

On Wednesday, Aug. 18, Sagamore Council scout executive Ben Blumenberg said Kaden Dillon, of North Manchester, attained the highest rank of Eagle in the Boy Scouts of America after his board of review on Tuesday, Aug. 10.

Dillon is the grandson of Jackie and Gary Beck.

Blumenberg said Dillon earned the award after completing 33 merit badges and his service project involving 298 hours creating a nature trail for Manchester Elementary School STEM classes.

"This project included mulched trails, a stairway

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Ind. sees 62,000 wasted COVID-19 vaccine doses as shot rate slows

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Indiana health officials have counted about 62,000 doses of COVID-19 vaccines being tossed out in recent months as the number of people seeking the shots has fallen drastically.

That is about 1 percent of the some 6 million vaccine shots that have been given in Indiana since they first became available in December, but a sign of the struggle that officials face in raising the state's vaccination rate.

The state health department said vaccine doses can go unused by reaching their expi-

ration date or a vial breaking and that officials knew eventually vaccine supply would outstrip demand.

“We are taking every action possible to minimize wastage, including urging providers to use doses with the nearest expiration dates first and encouraging Hoosiers to get vaccinated if they are eligible,” the agency said in a statement. “In addition, we have been working with healthcare providers to allow them to order small batches of vaccine to have in their offices for patients and have increased the number of mobile

vaccination clinics we are deploying across the state.”

States across the country have been trying to salvage expiring shots amid the summer surge in infections tied to the highly contagious delta variant of the coronavirus.

About 45 percent of Indiana residents are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, the 16th lowest rate among the states, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Indiana's vaccination rate has fallen from about 50,000 a day in April to about 10,000 a day in recent weeks.

COVID-19

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have been fully vaccinated, while statewide, just over half, 51.8 percent, of eligible Hoosiers were fully vaccinated as of Friday. According to the CDC, 59.8 percent of Americans 12 years and older have been fully vaccinated.

Box said that less than 3 percent of the state's hospital admissions are breakthrough cases of those who have been fully vaccinated, while 97 percent to 98 percent of those in hospitals and ICUs are those who haven't been vaccinated.

“I can't tell you the number of times I've heard the heart-breaking story, which I'm sure you have all heard too, of the individual that comes in and said, ‘I meant to get vaccinated, can I get vaccinated now?’ And really when they're sick, in the middle of their sickness, it's too late at that moment to get the vaccine,” said Box.

On Friday, the ISDH announced that 4,120 additional Hoosiers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 through testing at state and private laboratories. That brings to 817,149 the number of Indiana residents now known to have had the novel coronavirus following corrections to the previous

day's dashboard.

To date, 13,797 Hoosiers are confirmed to have died from COVID-19, an increase of 14 from Thursday. Another 431 probable deaths have been reported to date based on clinical diagnoses in patients for whom no positive test is on record.

A total of 3,798,842 unique individuals have been tested in Indiana, up from 3,785,916 on Thursday. A total of 11,810,025 tests, including repeat tests for unique individuals, have been reported to the state Department of Health since Feb. 26, 2020.

To find testing sites around the state, visit [www.coronavirus.in.gov](https://ourshot.in.gov) and click on the COVID-19 testing information link. Clinics are being added regularly around the state.

Hoosiers age 12 and older can receive a COVID-19 vaccine; individuals younger than age 18 are eligible for the Pfizer vaccine only. To find a vaccination clinic near you, visit <https://ourshot.in.gov> or call 211 if you do not have access to a computer or require assistance. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are accepted at most sites.

A mobile vaccination clinic has been planned from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Annual American Indian Council Pow Wow at the

Boone County Fairgrounds, 1300 E. 100 South, Lebanon.






In addition, free COVID-19 testing and vaccinations will be offered at the following locations from noon to 8 p.m. Saturday at the Bedford First Assembly, 2601 27th St., Bedford; and at the Carroll County 4-H Community Building, 102 N. S. 4th St., Flora.

Patients with an appointment at a state-hosted public vaccination site can get a free Uber or Lyft ride. Call 2-1-1 or 866-211-9966 to receive a voucher to cover the cost of an Uber ride to and from your vaccination appointments. IU Health offers free Lyft rides to any vaccine site in the state. Call 888-IUHEALTH (888-484-3258) and choose option 9 if you need transportation to your vaccine appointment.

As of today, a total of 6,094,533 doses have been administered in Indiana. This includes 3,056,466 first doses and 3,038,067 individuals who are fully vaccinated. The fully vaccinated number represents individuals who have received a second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines and those who received the single Johnson & Johnson vaccine.





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5-Day Weather Summary

 Saturday Partly Cloudy 88 / 71	 Sunday Isolated T-storms 87 / 67	 Monday Partly Cloudy 90 / 71	 Tuesday Isolated T-storms 91 / 72	 Wednesday Scattered T-storms 90 / 70
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Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 8:30 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 7:02 a.m.

 Full 8/22	 Last 8/30	 New 9/6	 First 9/13
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Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 88°, humidity of 56%. South southeast wind 2 to 7 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 71°. South southwest wind 2 to 6 mph.

SHOOTING

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facility. We were able to immediately gather pertinent information, which included suspect information. My staff was able to quickly put that out to our officers and, in turn, helped locate our suspect.”

“Within just a minute to two minutes of the initial dispatch going out, we had Deputy Dennis Tillman from the Clinton County Sheriff's Office in the area,” Sheriff Kelly said. “He was able to identify the vehicle and then engage in a pursuit. The suspect vehicle failed to yield to his emergency lights and accelerated up to speeds of 90 to 100 miles per hour, going eastbound on State Road 28, at which time the pursuit ended in the construction zone in Frankfort.”

According to the probable cause affidavit, during the pursuit, Tillman observed that the suspect vehicle, a blue Ford Focus, was going head-on in the construction zone with county ambulances which were responding to the original scene. The vehicle swerved in and out of traffic in an attempt to evade Tillman until it crashed into another motorist. Tillman yelled numerous times for the subject to get out of the car and show his hands. The suspect lit a cigarette and exited and slowly exited the vehicle, complying with Tillman's orders until he was told to go from a kneeling position to the ground. He did not comply with that order and was then assisted to the ground. Frankfort Police Department then assisted in taking the suspect into custody.

The suspect was identified as Gary C. Ferrell II, 26, of Frankfort. Ferrell was also an NHK employee.

“He is in custody, and this is a preliminary investigation into what exactly happened,” Sheriff Kelly said during the 8:30 p.m. press conference on Wednesday in the basement of the Clinton County Sheriff's Office. “Currently, the (Clinton County) Prosecutor himself is at one of the crime scenes issuing and executing a search warrant on the victim's vehicle. We are just now finishing up all of the witness information and their written statements are being taken by detectives. So, it is

an evolving thing, and we have the assistance of several agencies.”

According to the probable cause affidavit, footage from a parking lot camera showed a 2012 blue Ford Focus parked next to a black Chevrolet. The footage showed the trunk of the Ford open and a white male wearing black pants and a black shirt exit the vehicle with a black object in his hand, which appeared to be a firearm. The male then walked over to the passenger door of the black Chevrolet and forcibly removed a person, later identified as Promise Mays, from her car seat. The male then pulled Mays to the rear of the blue Ford. Mays appears to pull away from the suspect but is overpowered. Sledd then exited the driver side of the black Chevrolet and exchanged words with the suspect, who made a pointing motion with the firearm toward the NHK building before pointing the firearm at Mays and continuing to try and force her into his trunk. Sledd starts to move away when it appears she is shot. The suspect then appears to shoot Sledd a second and third time. The suspect then tried to force Mays into his trunk again before shooting her. He then left the trunk open, got in his car and backed over Mays before leaving the parking lot.

After obtaining a search warrant for the blue Ford, Detective Jonathan Greiner located a .45 caliber automatic handgun on the passenger floorboard. Indiana Sate Police Crime Scene Investigator Jason Page conducted a scene investigation of the 2012 blue Ford Focus and found a “mushroomed” bullet in the trunk which matched the size of what appeared to be a .45 caliber round believed to have been used. It was also found that the cord connecting the vehicle's trunk release handle had been cut.

Detective Lieutenant Daniel Roudebush interviewed Ferrell at the Clinton County Sheriff's Office. According to court documents, Ferrell provided a statement after being read his rights. During the statement, Ferrell advised Roudebush of his plan to confine and kill Mays, and that he got the idea the night before.

On Friday, Ferrell was charged with two counts of murder, criminal confinement with a deadly weap-

on, resisting law enforcement with a vehicle and carrying a handgun without a license. Clinton County

Prosecutor's Office Investigator Brendon Bright determined that Ferrell did not have an Indiana handgun license. Indiana State Police records show that he applied for a Lifetime Personal Protection License on July 5, 2021, but on Aug. 11, 2021, the ISP sent Ferrell a letter advising that his application was incomplete.

Clinton County Prosecutor Anthony Sommer is seeking the death penalty if Ferrell is convicted.

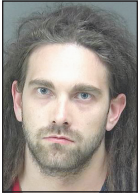
On Wednesday night, Sheriff Kelly thanked Indiana State Police District 14, Frankfort Police Department, Clinton County 911, Frankfort Fire Department, Clinton County EMS, NHK personnel and staff, Mulberry Police Department, the FBI and ATF for their help.

“I would also like to thank our chaplain service at the Clinton County Sheriff's Office,” Sheriff Kelly added. “They immediately deployed with us, within minutes of us arriving at the scene, and they also go with us to help make notification to the families. We have two chaplains with the family at this time. And, for however long it takes, our chaplains are made available to NHK of America, and they will be there (Thursday) for both shifts at both plants.

“We are all a part of the community,” Kelly added. “It is something I don't think you can ever prepare for as police, as fire, as EMS, 911 dispatchers, everything included in our community, this is something that you can't prepare for. We watch it happen in other cities, other states, other areas and other parts of this world, and you hope and pray that it never happens here at home. With that, it is difficult. The people that I am working with at NHK, most of those folks I know... It is devastating, and it is going to take a long time to heal.”

NHK Seating of America, Inc. released a statement that concluded as follows:

“We are shocked and saddened by these events, and our prayers and sympathy go out to the friends, families and co-workers of the victims.”



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Obituaries

Joan Maxine Bradley

Nov. 18, 1927 – Aug. 19, 2021

Joan Maxine Bradley, 93, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 10:36 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 19, 2021, at Parkview Wabash Hospital. She was born on Nov. 18, 1927, in Ijamsville, Indiana, to Harvey M. and Beulah (Eakright) Fry.

Joan was a 1945 graduate of Wabash High School. She married John Richard Bradley in Wabash on Nov. 18, 1946; he died June 23, 2006. She was a homemaker and also worked several years at the Winchester Senior Center in Wabash. Joan was a member of the Wabash First Church of God. She enjoyed oil painting, playing the piano, word puzzles and gardening.

She is survived by four children, Rex (Carol) Bradley of Alto, Georgia, John (Kay) Bradley and Jay (Kathy) Bradley, both of Wabash, and Jo Ellen (Brian) Bradley of Huntington, Indiana, seven grandchildren, Tod Bradley of Alto, Georgia, Scott Bradley of Georgia, Shawn Bradley of North Manchester, Indiana, John Kerry Bradley of Idaville, Indiana, Jeff Bradley of Wabash, Amy Feldt of Lebanon, Illinois, and Audrey Huddleston of Marion, Indiana, 10 great-grandchildren, brother, Sam (Gaye) Fry of Wabash, and sister,



Nancy Christie of Urbana, Indiana. She was also preceded in death by her parents, brother, Glen Fry, three sisters, Betty Bradley, Margorie Ray, and Mary Wright, and her granddaughter, Kelly McQue.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, with Pastor Robb Rensberger officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, at the funeral home.

Preferred memorial is Wabash First Church of God.

The memorial guest book for Joan may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Dorothy Helen Glassburn

July 29, 1922 – Aug 17, 2021

Dorothy Helen Glassburn, 99, formerly of Wabash, Indiana, died at 9:15 a.m., Tuesday, Aug 17, 2021, at Peabody Retirement Community in North Manchester. She was born on July 29, 1922, in Peru, Indiana, to Tom and Stella (Kelly) Barlow.

Dorothy was a 1940 graduate of Linlawn High School, and a graduate of Marion Beauty College. She first married Russell Barnett and he preceded her in death. She then married Thurman Glassburn on Jan. 3, 1983; he died in March 2021. Dorothy owned and operated Dorothy's Beauty Salon in Wabash, 33 years, and also managed LaBoutique Beauty Salon. She was a member of the Evangelical United Methodist Church in Huntington. She was a former member of the Woman's Clubhouse Association and a longtime member of the Wabash Women's Bowling League. Dorothy lived in Huntington several years and at Peabody Retirement Community the past 5 years.

She is survived by two children, Phillip L. (Judy) Barnett of Naperville, Illinois, and Sharon (Dewayne) Anderson of Huntington, Indiana, five grandchildren, Michele (Kurt) Landis of Schaumburg, Illinois, Mi-



chael (Media) Anderson of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Michelle (Chad) Hacker and Rachel (Aaron) Kiefer, both of Huntington, and Matthew (Lindsay) Anderson of Hyrum, Utah, and five great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by her parents, seven brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 21, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 10-11 a.m. Saturday, at the funeral home.

Preferred memorial is Woman's Clubhouse Association.

The memorial guest book for Dorothy may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Harlain E. Webb

Funeral services for Harlain E. Webb, will be 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, August 24, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash. Burial will be in Friends Cemetery, Wabash. Visitation 4-8 p.m. Monday, at the funeral home.

PENDING SERVICES

Virginia Bozarth, 98, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 1:00 p.m., August 19, 2021, at Peabody Healthcare, North Manchester. Arrangements are pending with Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash.

Second annual Chicken and Chocolate fundraiser set for Saturday, Aug. 28

The Knights of Columbus chapter at St. Robert's Catholic Church will be conducting their second annual Chicken and Chocolate fundraiser on Saturday, Aug. 28, according to Bernie Ferringer.

The Knights will be selling Nelson's BBQ chicken and pit-tatoes from 10 a.m. until sold out in the parking lot at Lances Fresh Market Shopping Plaza, 1204 Indiana 114 W., North Manchester.

Chicken halves are \$7 and pit-tatoes are \$4 per serving. Each sale will include a free Tootsie Roll, while supplies last.

All of the proceeds will benefit North Manchester Food Pantry, Arc of Wabash, Vernon Manor of Wabash and Wabash Special Olympics.

"Please come out and support this project for the benefit of the above local organizations in Wabash County," said Ferringer.

Clark Gallery photo show seeks entries

Photographers of all ages and experience levels are encouraged to enter

STAFF REPORT

The Honeywell Center Clark Gallery will begin accepting entries for the annual Photography Show from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 23, according to Honeywell Arts & Entertainment development communications manager Courtney Harvey.

Photographers of all ages and experience levels are encouraged to enter. An offering of Honeywell Arts & Entertainment, the exhibit will be

on display in the Clark Gallery and virtually via HoneywellArts.org from Wednesday, Aug. 25 through Monday, Sept. 27.

The show has three categories: altered images, color, and black and white (including sepia tones). Participants may enter up to three pieces, all of which can be entered into a single category or all three; however, the maximum of three entries total still applies. Detailed guidelines are available online.

The Photography Show is the largest Clark Gallery competition of the year. In previous years, awards have been distributed to young students and professionals alike.

This exhibit is one of many ways

Honeywell Arts & Entertainment supports the visual arts. The Clark Gallery typically hosts more than ten exhibits per year and features students, amateurs, and professionals. Because the gallery encompasses the semi-circle of the Honeywell Center Porter Lobby, foot traffic exceeds 170,000 guests per year.

The Clark Gallery is open to the public and artwork may be purchased through the Honeywell Box Office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Sponsorship of this exhibit is provided by Nicole A. Howard Photography. For more information, visit HoneywellArts.org or call 260-563-1102.

Salamonie Preschool offers ‘S is for Sun’

Children ages 2 to 5 and their adults are welcome to attend Sept. 8 event

STAFF REPORT

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "S is for Sun" on Wednesday, Sept. 8, according to interpretive naturalist Teresa Rody.

"Learn about the sun and what it does for us and the earth," said Rody.

Children ages 2 to 5 and their adults are welcome to attend the class from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Salamonie Interpretive Center, located in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews.

"Each program is designed to enhance the preschooler's basic education, including music, crafts, social

interaction and time outdoors, always with a nature-related theme," said Rody.

The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated by calling 260-468-2127.

"Note that details of this event may be subject to change based on the State's response to COVID-19," said Rody.

For more information, visit on.in.gov/Salamonielake or facebook.com/upperwabash.

VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON CHURCH SERVICES

Asbury Country Church

On Sunday, Aug. 22 at Asbury Country Church, 1998 E. 250 South, the Sunday school will be at 9:30 a.m., and the worship service at 10:30 a.m. The worship and music leader will be Amy Bullick and the piano will be by Roger Marine. The Morning Message will be, "Where Does God Dwell?" by Pastor Mike Bullick.

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ

Online services are available by visiting www.bachelorcreek.com.

Christ United Methodist Church

On Sunday, Aug. 22 worship service at Christ United Methodist Church, 477 N. Wabash St., is at 10 a.m. Pastor Tom Richards' scripture reading will be John 1:1-5, with a sermon reflection titled, "In the Beginning." Worship service will also be live-streamed on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ChristUMCWabash/.

Christian Heritage Church

Streaming services online and broadcast on 95.9 FM.

College Corner Brethren Church

College Corner Brethren Church is now holding in-person services at 10:15 a.m. Sundays at 8996 S. 500 West, with Pastor Solomon David. The sermons are still on YouTube and Facebook.

Common Ground Prayer House

The Common Ground Prayer House will be open to the public from 8 to 10 a.m. Mondays, except holidays, at 78 W. Hill St. For more information, call Jennifer Mahan at 260-571-8063, Shirley Neale at 260-591-0047 or Debbie Sweet at 260-571-6072.

Dora Christian Church

On Sunday, Aug. 22 at Dora Christian Church in Lagro, the minister will be Mark Wisniewski, the song leader will be Olman Sanchez, the pianist will be Sherry Brock and the organist will be Kristy Good. We have two in-person Sunday services, one at 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., with Sunday school classes for all ages from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. The message for both services will be, "Inheritance From a Dying Man," from 2 Kings 13:14-23. The Communion Table will be served by Bill Miller and Chuck Marion. Children's Church for the 10:30 a.m. service will be led by John Troyer and Janene Wisniewski. The sermon will also be available for viewing on the Dora Christian Church Facebook group the morning of Aug. 22.

LaFontaine Christian Church

The LaFontaine Christian Church pre-records the sermon which is then available for all to view at www.lafontainechristian.com under the sermons tab, stated Pastor Brad Wright.

LaFontaine United Methodist Church

Pastor Susan Shambaugh says that her LaFontaine United Methodist Church is showing replay videos on their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/LaFontaine-United-Methodist-Church>. In-person services start at 9:30 a.m. Sundays.

Lincolnville United Methodist Church

Lincolnville United Methodist,

5848 E. 500 South, is going back to one worship service. The worship service is at 10 a.m., and Sunday school is at 9 a.m. For more information, email pastorjohn1954@gmail.com or call 260-563-1406.

Living Faith Lutheran Church

Welcome to our in-person worship service at 10:10 a.m. Sundays at Living Faith Lutheran Church, 242 S. Huntington St. Bible study and Sunday school are at 9 a.m. for all ages. The sanctuary is arranged for social distancing. Masks are encouraged and available. Online services are at 10:10 a.m., with pre-service music at 10 a.m. For virtual services and more information, visit www.livingfaithwabash.org.

Manchester Church of the Brethren

Pastor Kurt Borgmann from the Manchester Church of the Brethren stated they will hold a live-stream service at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday by visiting www.manchestercob.net. Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on the black button that says, "Manchester CoB YouTube Channel." After the service is finished, one may access a video copy of the live stream in the same way. Another way to access the live stream or posted video: go to YouTube, search "Manchester Church of the Brethren," and click on the circle profile.

North Manchester Congregational Christian Church

Pastor Sebrena Cline stated live streaming begins on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sundays for the North Manchester Congregational Christian Church, and lasts 30 to 40 minutes.

North Manchester Missionary Church

The North Manchester Missionary Church is streaming live on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sunday. The video is then placed on their webpage, which can be viewed by visiting NMMC1.com.

Olive Branch Church of God

The Olive Branch Church of God live-streams Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Find it through Facebook, by searching Olive Branch Church, or by visiting www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch or through the church website www.olivebranch.church. Click "Live Streaming" at the top, then click the series icon (lion head).

Richvalley United Methodist Church

Worship at Richvalley United Methodist Church begins at 9:30 a.m. Sundays at 290 N. Jefferson St. Sunday school begins at 10:45 a.m. For more information, call 260-563-1033 or email rvumc@hotmail.com.

Southside Free Will Baptist

Streaming on their Facebook page.

Sweetwater Assembly of God

Streaming services online using the normal service schedule.

Urbana Yoke Parish

Rev. Larry Wade of the Urbana Yoke Parish stated that his congregation posts Sunday services to www.

Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Welcome to Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 West Hill St. In-person worship is at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary or via live-stream for the church at home on the Wabash Christian YouTube Channel. Access is also available on our Facebook page and website wabashchristian.org. Stephen Eberhard is the Minister.

Wabash Church of the Brethren

At Wabash Church of the Brethren, 645 Bond St., services will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in person. Masks are recommended. There is no children's church or Sunday school at this time. Masks are recommended. On Sunday, Aug. 22, the sermon will be based on 1 Corinthians 13 and titled, "What is Love?" On Sunday, Aug. 29, Pastor Doug Beal will be off, with plans to be determined. You may reach Pastor Doug Veal at the church office, 260-563-5291, on his cell phone at 260-225-3014, or by email at pastordoug@wabashcob.org.

Wabash Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Kirk Johnson, of the Wabash Church of the Nazarene, stated their service is available on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Find it by going to YouTube and search for "Wabash Nazarene" or search Facebook for the Wabash Church of the Nazarene. Another option is to visit www.wabashnaz.com, look for the home page, and find "Latest Sermon."

Wabash First Church of God

In the 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 22 worship service at Wabash First Church of God, 525 N. Miami St., Pastor Robb Rensberger will speak on "Psalm 130." The sermon may also be seen on YouTube under Wabash 1st Church and heard at 11 a.m. Sundays on 105.9 FM. Sunday servants are Todd Eltzroth, chairperson; Sherry Whitt, worship; Pick a Song, special music; Nancy Kolb, piano; and Rose Sands, organ.

Walk by Faith Community Church

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Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash

Pastor Jerry Gauthier says that the Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash is streaming through Facebook at www.facebook.com/zionwabash at 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE

Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

Ephesians 4:25

History repeats itself in the tragedy of Afghanistan

With stunning speed, the Taliban's lightning onslaught across Afghanistan reached the capital Kabul itself. By late Sunday, President Ashraf Ghani was said to have left the country. Pictures of helicopters lifting off from the US embassy recalled the humiliating fall of Saigon in 1975 – something President Joe Biden dismissed just last month as implausible. This is a tragedy for the people of the country and a betrayal of the thousands of US and allied troops – and more than 120,000 Afghans – who died in 20 years of war. It is a grave setback, too, for the credibility of the US and of the community of democracies Biden hoped to cement.

It was former president Donald Trump who announced US troops would leave by 2021 provided the Taliban met the terms of a peace accord signed last year. But going ahead with the pullout was Biden's choice. The domestic political cost is still likely to be low. Polls show Americans are as weary today of the "forever wars" as they were under Trump. Preserving the messy military stalemate into which Afghanistan had settled was a hard political sell. In terms of America's global standing, however, the miscalculation will haunt the rest of the Biden presidency.

Biden might still have been able to

argue for much reduced US forces – which since 2015 had also suffered much reduced casualties – to remain as a backstop to the Afghan military, just as the US retained a long-term presence in Germany and South Korea. Instead, either the White House went ahead with the pullout regardless of intelligence warnings of what would follow, or the speed of the offensive was indeed unforeseen – a startling lack of insight in a country where America has had a ground presence for two decades.

Yet the Afghan collapse reflects not just a military and intelligence failure but the failure in 20 years to have built a more functional state. The initial goal of the post-9/11 intervention was to prevent al-Qaeda from using the country as a base for further attacks. Though President George W Bush invoked the Marshall Plan when pledging to reconstruct Afghanistan in 2002, and the US has now spent a trillion dollars on its campaign, it was never prepared to commit sufficient resources for the kind of nation-building it undertook after the second world war. It did devote time and money to training and equipping the military. But Afghan forces' strategy to contain the Taliban depended on US backing, especially air support. Successive Afghan governments

bear responsibility too. Corruption and dysfunctional management badly hampered efforts at state-building. Afghan leaders also declined to reach accords with the Taliban, notably in 2011-12, when it was weaker and its demands relatively limited.

Some longtime Afghanistan watchers now suggest a restoration of Taliban rule, bloody and repressive as it would be, might be less disastrous than the alternative of a slide into all-out civil war. Not just Afghanistan's long-suffering population, however, but the US and its allies will have to live with the consequences. A wave of refugees fleeing Afghanistan has already started. The country is at risk of becoming, once again, a base for jihadis.

A desire in the White House to wrap up nagging foreign policy problems so it can focus on China is understandable. But the abandonment of Afghanistan raises doubts over the depth of US commitment to supposed allies, and its determination to see military entanglements through to the bitter end. As one of the north Atlantic alliance's biggest and most costly foreign policy priorities of this century implodes, those lessons will not be lost on Beijing.

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What is ‘quality of place?’

For more than a decade, a team of us at Ball State University argued that local economic and population growth was primarily caused by something called “quality of place.” This idea helped motivated the Stellar Communities program, the Regional Cities Initiative and now the READI grants. This “quality of place” argument is a big idea that directly challenges the way Indiana has approached economic development for a half century. Given how challenging the past fifty years have been for Indiana's economy, every Hoosier should be interested in understanding what “quality of place” means.

Some of us like sandy beaches or mountains, while others of us prefer urban nightlife. This makes choosing actions to improve a community a daunting business. Indeed, many of the things people like are not sensitive to government policies, like sunny weather, lakes or mountains. Others, like 5-star restaurants or museums, follow residents. They cannot be conjured into being by even the most ambitious mayor.

Knowing what exactly to do or build to promote local economic growth is not an easy task. One cannot directly ask prospective residents what they want because it's nearly impossible to find these people in a survey. So, opinions about what constitutes quality of place aren't very useful.

Fortunately, there's a market-based approach that doesn't require any assumptions about what people prefer. Instead, we simply measure what prices people are willing to pay for a home or accept as a wage when choosing where to live. Markets for workers and homes then become key ways to think about the relative quality of any particular community when compared to all others. My colleagues and I have recently done this work, which yielded some important results.

We first created statistically identical homes by using data on dozens of housing characteristics, such as the number of rooms, the age of the structure and the cost of construction materials. By ‘controlling’ for these characteristics, we can then compare the price of homes across locations. In some places, residents are willing to pay a premium for an otherwise identical house. That is a place where our national housing markets indicate is a great place to live.

Michael Hicks



In other communities, prospective residents will only be willing to pay a discounted price for a home. In those communities, housing markets signal problems.

The beauty of this approach is that it compares the preferences of all Americans – those who choose to live in a specific place and those who choose not to. This is not a new idea. Economic models of this kind date back four decades, and realtors have always known that ‘location, location, location’ dictated home price. Of course, home prices are only part of the story. Jobs also matter.

We have data on wages, by occupation and educational level, and the number of similarly qualified people within a county. We know about local employment volatility and the types of industry risk due to automation or changes in demand. Using this data, we can create statistically identical workers in each county by ‘controlling’ for individual and labor market conditions in each county. We can then compare wages for ‘identical’ workers across counties.

All things being equal, a business will be forced to pay the same worker more to live in an undesirable place than in a nice one. Conversely, workers will accept a discounted wage to be able to live somewhere nice. Thus, when choosing a place to live, workers make trade-offs between the wages they will earn against the cost of housing and access to amenities.

To check how accurate our measurement was, we looked at how population or job growth was affected by our measures. We found that our measure of “quality of place” was strongly correlated with faster population and job growth. That's just what the theory suggests.

The dynamics of “quality of place” simply overwhelm almost everything else that states and local governments do to promote economic development. Residents naturally will pay more for a home in a nice place and accept slightly discounted wages to live where they prefer. This builds a self-reinforcing and virtuous cycle where local governments have more tax dollars available to spend on amenities, while businesses

face lower labor costs. That's why these places grow.

Since the 1990s, 80 percent of job growth has gone to college graduates, and the remainder to those who've taken college courses. These workers are mobile and more attuned to these wage and housing cost trade-offs than are less well-educated workers. One obvious implication of this is that for the businesses of the future, local land or tax costs are minimally important. What matters is locating your business in a city where lots of potential workers wish to move. Of course, this is also where your best customers will be located.

Indiana has largely missed these implications, despite obvious examples. If low-cost land or low taxes mattered, no family or business would move to Carmel, Fishers, Westfield or Zionsville. Instead, businesses and families would be flocking to Muncie, Connersville and Loogootee. They are not. Family location decisions are primarily driven by quality of life. So, which amenities lead to the highest quality of life?

Our housing and labor market measures provide a good snapshot of quality of life in every county of the U.S. That measure is highly correlated with population and job growth, but it doesn't tell us which specific amenities of each community people care about. To know that, we have to see what types of amenities are most common in those places where labor and housing markets suggest are good places to live.

In analysis of 600-plus different amenities for each county, ranging from January temperatures to the number of churches, we obtained some pretty clear answers. Natural amenities such as nice weather and mountains are popular, but not strongly so – which is good news for Indiana. We also found that private amenities such as restaurants are more common in ‘good’ communities. Again, this is good for Indiana because these businesses follow families.

Unfortunately for Indiana, the two strongest amenities in our “quality of place” rankings were school spending as a share of GDP and public safety. We rank poorly on both of these measures, which bodes poorly for economic and population growth across most of Indiana.

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LETTERS

Regretting hesitancy

In 1736, a young parent by the name of Benjamin Franklin delayed smallpox inoculation for his four-year-old son, likely at the insistence of his wife. The child contracted the disease and died. Our Founding Father later wrote he had “long regretted bitterly” that he hesitated.

Franklin's older brother was a prominent anti-vaxxer, a sentiment shared by many in a day of little knowledge of this form of prevention. Some thought the vaccine was worse than the disease.

However, the demonstrated safety and value of dozens of vaccines for other diseases over the past three centuries has removed all doubt from mature minds.

In asserting a right to be free of the shot, many Americans are junking not only science and history but the constitutional law that Ben Franklin taught. Democratic law says the community decides, not the individual.

Kimball Shinkoskey
Woods Cross, Utah

The case for federal investment in cultured-meat research

The most recent report from the United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change bolstered the case for federal investment in cultured-meat research. For those who don't know, cultured meat is grown from cells, without slaughter. It requires a fraction of the greenhouse-gas emissions that raising livestock does.

The IPCC report highlighted the need to slash methane pollution, which is a major cause of global warming. Methane pollution comes from animal agriculture, as well as oil and gas drilling. Widespread adoption of cultured meat would help address this problem.

The private sector has made important advances in the field of cellular agriculture. Unfortunately, private research generally isn't shared, which stunts the growth of the industry as a whole. Environmentally-conscious legislators should support funding for cultured-meat development.

Jon Hochschartner
Granby, Connecticut

Thoughts about the pandemic

It has been common knowledge for years that all major developing countries have possessed the ability to conduct germ warfare. Was a virus created in the lab and deliberately leaked into the local wet markets for experimentation on the people of Wuhan? This would be consistent with China's poor record on civil rights and its complete lack of concern for all of the Chinese people. If the virus was created in Wuhan it is by no means a poor reflection on all Asians, especially Asian Americans. It would be simply a reaffirmation of the communist Chinese Government's unconscionable disdain for human life. They would be the ones to blame.

I believe we, the American people, will soon be required by our government to get the vaccine without being told what are the short or long term side effects. This would inherently be a violation of our civil rights since the vaccine has never been approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

The one benefactor from the spread of the virus is the environment. Consider how working from home reduces the number of carbon emissions caused by the automobile. Why isn't the Biden Administration and various environmental groups encouraging this?

Joe Bialek
Cleveland, Ohio

Lifestyles



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Digging scallops

I am a seafood lover, but this has not always been the case. As children growing up in New England, my younger brothers and I were served swordfish on a regular basis. This may sound luxurious, but in those days, swordfish was a local staple harvested from the nearby Atlantic waters, and my mother was determined to serve us fish in the spirit of a well-rounded diet. Swordfish night was not a popular event.

I confess that we took drastic measures to choke down our dinner. Since it was effectively a prerequisite to our desired dessert, my brothers and I often resorted to dousing our swordfish steaks in ketchup (as the eldest, I take full responsibility). Mercifully, when information about mercury levels in swordfish became more widely known, it suddenly disappeared from our dinner rotation. We were not upset.

As my interest in food grew, I outgrew my categorical aversion to seafood. I started by eating milder white fish and seafood, deemed “un-fishy” in flavor. And then I discovered scallops. Sea scallops were and are unlike any other fish or shellfish I have eaten, and wonderfully un-fishy. Creamy white and cylindrical in shape, they don’t even resemble fish, and their flavor is lusciously buttery and sweet. When cooked well – preferably seared – they develop a crispy caramelized crust that gives way to a juicy, tender interior. I was hooked then and remain hooked to this day.

Scallops are easy to prepare in a pan. You can serve them with sauces and accompaniments, add them to pasta and rice, or simply enjoy them on their own. Their natural sweetness is complemented by bright citrus and crisp, sweet vegetables, such as corn and

bell peppers, which make them a delightful summer meal. For best results, here are a few simple yet important steps to searing scallops.

Dry: Line a large plate or cooking tray with paper towels. Place the scallops on the tray and then place another paper towel over the scallops. Gently press to blot any moisture. Let stand for 5 minutes, then discard the towels. This will remove any excess moisture and prevent the scallops from steaming when searing.

Sear: The best way to cook a scallop is to sear it. Use a cast-iron skillet if possible. Heat the skillet over medium-high heat for a few minutes, then add oil and continue to heat until the oil is shimmering. Arrange the scallops in the skillet without overcrowding. Sear, undisturbed, until a golden crust forms around the base and the scallop releases with ease from the pan when lifted with a spatula. Do not disturb the scallops until they release easily! Then flip and sear the other side of the scallop.

Size: Choose the largest scallops you can find. Sizes range from 10 to 40 per pound. Their sizes are measured by the count to a pound and labeled U/10, U/15, etc. The U stands for “under,” which means that U/15 scallops will have a count of 15 or under for 1 pound. U/10 and U/15 are the largest and ideal for searing.

Seared Sea Scallops With Sweet Corn Salad and Garden Salsa
Active time: 30 minutes
Total time: 30 minutes
Yield: Serves 4

Salsa
1 cup fresh Italian parsley leaves
1/2 cup fresh cilantro leaves
1/2 jalapeno pepper, seeded, chopped
2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
1/4 teaspoon salt, or more

to taste
A few grinds of freshly ground black pepper
1/4 cup olive oil
Salad
Corn kernels from 2 ears of corn (or 2 cups defrosted frozen corn)
2 scallions, white and green parts thinly sliced
1 red bell pepper, seeded, diced
1/2 jalapeno pepper, seeded, finely chopped
1/4 cup Italian parsley leaves, chopped
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 tablespoon fresh lime juice
1/2 teaspoon salt, or more to taste
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
Dash of hot sauce
16 to 20 large (U/15) sea scallops
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
2 tablespoons olive oil

Combine all the salsa ingredients except the oil in a food processor and pulse to chop. Add half the oil and process to blend. Add the remaining oil 1 tablespoon at a time until you achieve salsa consistency. Taste for seasoning. Transfer to a bowl and set aside.

Combine all the salad ingredients in a bowl and stir to blend. Taste for seasoning. Thoroughly blot the scallops dry with paper towels. Season with salt and black pepper.

Heat a large (preferably cast-iron) skillet over medium-high heat. Add the oil, and when it begins to shimmer, arrange the scallops in the skillet without overcrowding. Sear until a golden crust forms around the base and the scallops release easily with a spatula, about 4 minutes. Flip the scallops and continue to cook until golden brown and cooked through the centers, about 3 minutes more, depending on the size of the scallops. Transfer to a plate.

Spoon the salad onto a serving plate. Arrange the scallops on the salad. Drizzle a little salsa over the scallops and the salad. Serve with the remaining salsa.

Remote work should be a permanent employee benefit

Given the resurgence of coronavirus cases, it’s clear that the way we work must change. Covid has taught us that workers want more than just a bigger paycheck, they also want flexibility, which for some is a priceless benefit.

When I became pregnant with my first child, I developed multiple clots in my left leg. One clot – a deep vein thrombosis – traveled to my lung. By the time I arrived in the emergency room, barely able to breathe, a physician bluntly said, “You should be dead.”

Testing found that I had protein S deficiency, a disorder that makes me prone to blood clots. I had to have anticoagulant medicine pumped into me constantly and was put on bed rest for the rest of my pregnancy. I recovered and delivered a healthy baby. After giving birth to two more children, I realized that commuting every day – for an hour or more each way, depending on traffic – was just too stressful.

Between my continued health challenges and those of my children, including having a child with autism, I began working from home full time. That was more than 20 years ago, when working remotely was, for the most part, by special permission only. It could have been a career killer. Fortunately, for me, it wasn’t.

There’s a work benefits revolution coming. Companies that accept the changes will prosper. Those that don’t will lose their competitive edge.

When possible, companies should allow employees to opt for full-time remote work or a hybrid option. If employees can’t work from home, there still needs to be flexible scheduling to allow them to take care of their families when the need arises.

Covid has delivered devastating losses, but one outcome that I hope lasts is the realization that the way we work has taken a toll on our bodies and family life. For so long, many employees have been pushing for flexibility in their work schedules. But for many companies and managers, there’s still a stigma attached to employees who want a work/life balance.

Gallup’s State of the Global Workplace 2021 report found that even before the pandemic, nearly half of employees in the United States and Canada reported experiencing a lot of stress.

“Physical health, loneliness, financial hardship and community support, among other factors, affect the involvement, enthusiasm and productivity of workers in both good times and bad,” the Gallup report said. “Successful corporations of the future not only will generate profits, but also will generate thriving employees who are capable of weathering crises.”

I’m moderating a Washington Post Live discussion on Aug. 18 at 1 p.m. (you can also view it later at [washingtonpost.com/washington-post-live](https://www.washingtonpost.com/washington-post-live)) on how the pandemic has changed the benefits landscape. Many employees are no longer afraid of asking for remote working options, family-friendly policies, and health and wellness options. (You can register for the discussion at personalfinanceaug2021.splashthat.com/washpost.)

In prepping for the discussion, I read a report, “The Future of Benefits,” from Care.com. This report and many others unequivocally show that having the flexibility to care for yourself and others without the stress of worrying about keeping your job or forgoing promotions makes you a better employee.

“One of the few benefits of the covid-19 pandemic is that it has put a spotlight on the challenges and vulnerabilities that workers have faced all along,” the Care.com report said. “While employers had seen statistics demonstrating that juggling work and care responsibilities adversely affects productivity, retention, absenteeism, and employee health, the pandemic has brought that to the forefront with unprecedented clarity.”

Here’s another important observation from the report: “In our understandable hunger to get ‘back to normal,’ we may want to forget the unsolicited insights this crisis has generated. But we can’t, and we shouldn’t, because the ‘New Normal’ need not look like the old one.”

Recommendations from the report include making permanent many of the temporary remote work options companies instituted to avoid increasing the number of covid cases. What more proof do businesses need than the last 18 months, which showed many workers can do their jobs from anywhere. Why have rigid return-to-work policies?

Actually, I work harder from home, always trying to prove that I can be just as productive working remotely.

Follow the lead of LinkedIn, which is giving its 16,000 global employees a choice of how to work. “We’ve learned every individual and every team works differently, so we’re moving away from a one-size-fits-all policy,” LinkedIn chief executive Ryan Roslansky wrote in a blog post last month. “We’re embracing flexibility with both hybrid and remote roles, expecting more of us to be remote than pre-Covid and removing the expectation of being in the office 50 percent of the time.”

A lot of workers don’t have a choice. They can’t work from home. But among those who can, many don’t want to return to their cubicles, or if they do, they only want to do so a few days a week.

A Gallup poll from October 2020 to April 2021 found that roughly 4 in 10 white-collar men (41 percent) and white-collar women (39 percent) said that, if given a choice, they would rather continue remote work.

When coronavirus cases again decline, we shouldn’t go back to the old normal. Flexible work shouldn’t be just a crisis go-to. It should be a permanent employee perk.

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Open House(s): Thurs. Aug. 12 @ 5 - 6
Sun. Aug. 15 @ 1 - 2 & Sun. Aug. 22 @ 1 - 2

Real Estate Info: 1 1/2 Story home having 2808 sq. of living space plus full walkout basement. Home has a total of 9 rooms, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, fireplace, attached 2 car garage, plus 26 x 24 outbuilding.

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3 Bedroom All Brick Ranch



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Tuesday, August 31 @ 4:30

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Open House(s): Tues. Aug. 17 @ 5 - 6
Sun. Aug. 22 @ 1 - 2

Real Estate Info: All Brick Ranch home has 1429sqft of living space having 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, great room, kitchen with dining area, utility room, plus attached 2 car garage, and a 20 x 20 detached garage. This home sets on a large lot that is fenced in.

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DEAR ABBY: I'm a 39-year-old woman in a toxic relationship with my boyfriend of almost seven years. We had a child together but lost custody due to drug use during my pregnancy. Even though we don't have our son, and he treats me badly, I feel I have to stay with him because we have gone through so much together.

Dear Abby



A couple of years ago, I got dentures because I ruined my teeth when I was using, and now I'm afraid no one will want to be with me because of them. So I'm stuck in a relationship that isn't good for me. It's embarrassing to have dentures at such a young age, and I don't know how I will be able to meet someone who can see past them and my drug history so I can be in a healthy relationship that I deserve. I feel like my only choices are to stay stuck in this toxic relationship forever or end up alone. How do I move past my insecurities so I can be happy for once? — Embarrassed In Arizona

DEAR EMBARRASSED: You have successfully battled drug addiction, so you are clearly not unused to “challenges.” I applaud you for what you have accomplished, and others should respect you for it, too.

Please do not allow your fear of being alone to prevent you from taking another important step in reclaiming your life. You and I both know your abuser is not healthy for you. You have already invested too much time in him. If you rely on him for financial support, find a job. Make arrangements with friends or family so you can eventually save enough to live independently.

After you have left him, being alone does not necessarily have to be a bad thing. In your case it could be therapeutic. And once you are financially stable, consult a dentist or a school of dentistry about what options you might have besides dentures. The only thing holding you back at this point is yourself.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 37-year-old mother of three, ages 13, 5 and 3. I'm married and own my home. I am a new stay-at-home mom after having worked for 16 years at my last job. My kids are happy and healthy.

Any time I go to my parents' house or they drop in on me for a quick visit, they have to “point out” that it is a mess or that my oldest is wearing jeans with holes in them. There's always a negative comment, never a positive one. My oldest has started to notice. It makes it hard to spend time with my parents since the visit is never a happy one without nitpicking. I'm wondering if I can say anything, and what to say.

I can't even cut or color my hair without ridicule. My oldest got her nails done and there was a negative comment about that as well. A few years ago, there was a blowout between my mom and me over my son's haircut. I'm at the point where I no longer want to go to their house, but I don't want to keep my kids from them. — Annoyed In Idaho

DEAR ANNOYED: Say something like this to your parents: “I have noticed, and the children have started noticing, that when you visit you usually have something negative to say about me, my home and even them. It is hurtful and I want it stopped, because if it persists you won't be invited.” And if it does continue, please remember it is your right as your children's mother to buffer them from comments from their grandparents that make them self-conscious about their appearance.

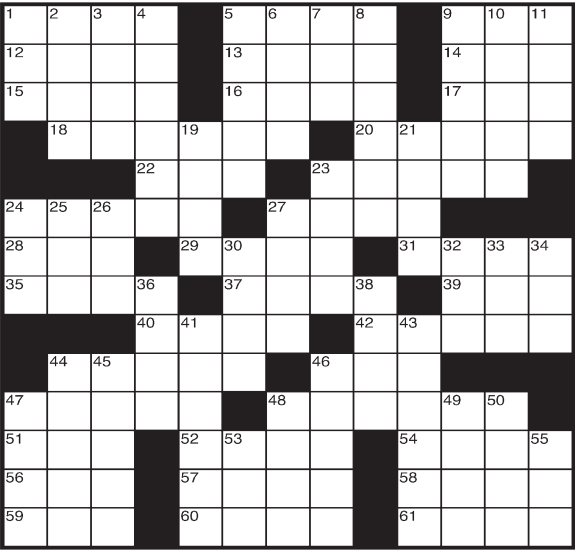
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 - 9 Crow's cry
 - 12 Locale
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 - 15 Hindu princess
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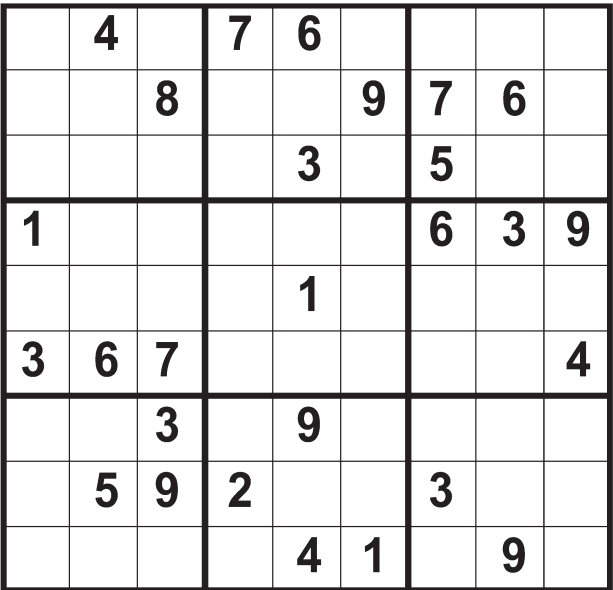
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- 1 Golf term
 - 2 Like some exams
 - 3 Food list
 - 4 Makes a portrait
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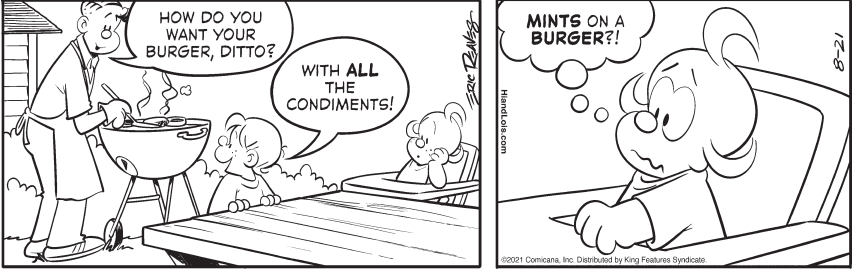
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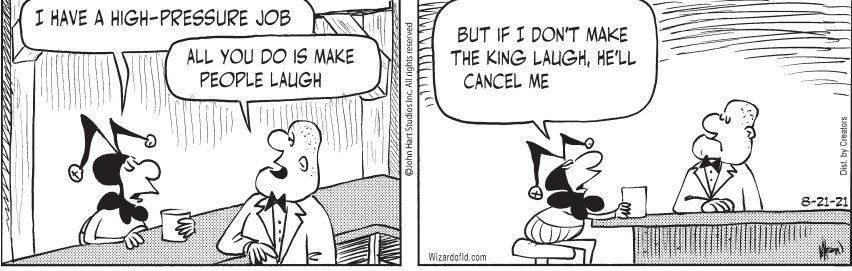
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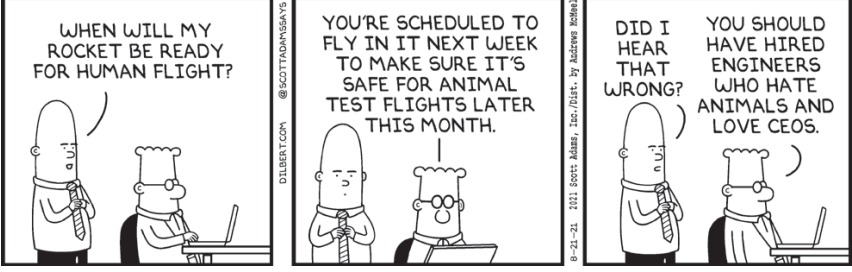
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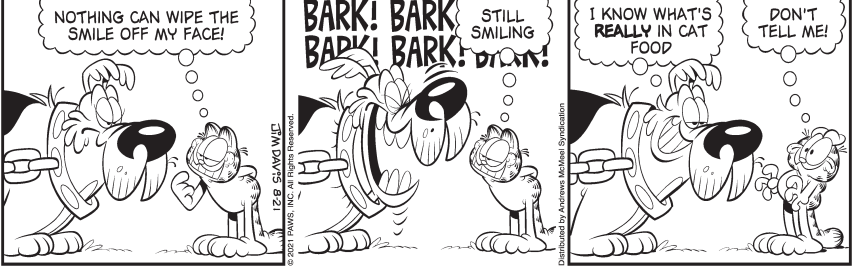
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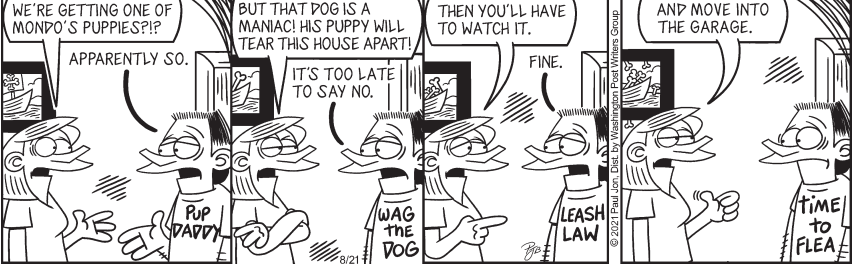
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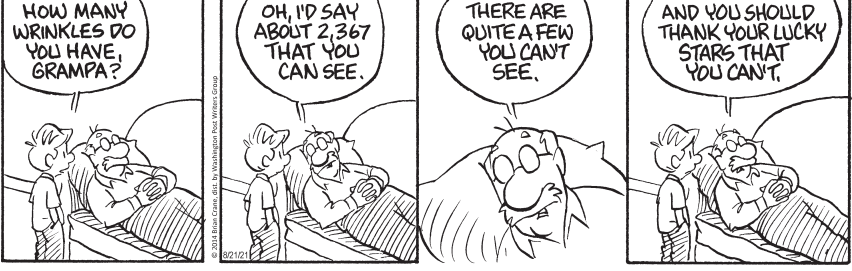
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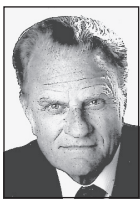
PICKLES



‘Trust in the Lord with all your heart’

Q: The world seems so uncertain these days. I try to encourage others but it is hard to find someone to encourage me. COVID-19 really brought on a spirit of depression among so many people, and I wonder if we will ever overcome the darkness of the past year. — D.P.

Billy Graham My Answer



A: Have you ever taken hold of such a prize that leads you out of uncertainty into profound assurance? If so, you have possessed the gift of hope. When it arrives, despair departs. An old Scottish proverb says, “Were it not for hope, the heart would break.” Mankind is barraged with news about uncertainty in the world. Hearts are paralyzed with fear about the unknown. A research agency reported on the downside of our fast-paced and high-tech society,

indicating that the next few decades would be the most decisive period in history. We do live in tumultuous times. A greeting card was sent to someone that said, “HOPE AVENUE” with a placard below pointing one way. There is only one way that leads to such certainty, and that is to give your life to Jesus Christ who said, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me” (John 14:6). God will not promise us everything we want; but He does promise that He

will never abandon those who trust in Him. We must ask: Where do we place our trust? What guides our decisions about life? Wallowing in despair never produces a healthy body or mind. Turning our lives over to the One who will guide our every step, claiming His promises, brings contentment in the midst of trouble. “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths” (Proverbs 3:5-6).

CELEBRITY CIPHER by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

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Previous Solution: “I transcend earthly bounds. I never cease to amaze myself because I haven't yet found my limits.” — Don King

TODAY'S CLUE: M sþnþø Z

HCAC women's soccer preseason poll released

The season kicks off Sept. 2 with an exhibition match against Indiana Tech

By DILLON BENDER

With the 2021 fall women's soccer season set to begin the first week of September, the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC) announced its preseason poll and "Players to Watch" listing.

In a vote among league coaches, Hanover College was slated to win the conference, earning 80 points and eight first-place votes. Not far behind in second was Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, who earned 71 points and two first-place votes. Mt. St. Joseph was predicted to finish third in Thursday's poll,

picking up 63 points, while Transylvania rounded out the top four with 53 points.

The Black and Gold were picked ninth after earning 17 points.

The women's soccer program will look to grow under first-year head coach Katie Mitchell. Mitchell comes to North Manchester after a successful two-year stint at the University of Indianapolis. During her time as a graduate assistant, the Greyhounds compiled an overall record of 29-6-2 and advanced to the Sweet Sixteen of the NCAA Division II Tournament in 2019.

Five Spartans were tabbed



Provided photo

HCAC play will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 29 with a road contest at Franklin College.

as "Players to Watch" by the league office on Thursday morning.

A trio of seniors led the way on the "Players to Watch" listing. Goalkeeper Cate Bennett, from Hartford City and

Blackford High School, will look to bounce back from an injury that kept her sidelined for much of the spring season.

Senior Maddie Shepard, from Greenville, Ohio, has started 39 of the 42 games she

has appeared in for the Black and Gold. Shepard has scored four career goals.

The last senior named as a "Player to Watch" by the HCAC was Jayden Murray, from Delphi and Rossville Consolidated High School. Murray will look to lead the Manchester attack offensively. She has appeared in 27 career contests with 23 starts. Murray netted a pair of goals this spring and has led the team in shots taken in each of the past two seasons.

Junior Adelle Stanko, from Okemos, Michigan, was also named a "Player to Watch" on Thursday. Stanko is a two-time Honorable Mention All-HCAC performer for the Black and Gold. Stanko has started all 26 games in her career and will be one of the top defenders in the conference

this fall.

The last Spartan listed as a "Player to Watch" was newcomer Lainey Shock, from North Manchester and Manchester High School. Shock was a three-time sectional champion and all-conference performer at local Manchester High School.

The 2021 season kicks off on Thursday, Sept. 2 with an exhibition match against Indiana Tech. The Spartans and Warriors will meet at Good Field beginning at 6 p.m. The Black and Gold will then host Otterbein at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 5.

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Dillon Bender is the sports information director for Manchester University.

Brooks takes over as MU's new men's soccer coach

He has a pair of U.S. Coaches Special Topic diplomas

By DILLON BENDER

Manchester University Director of Athletics Rick Espeset has announced that assistant men's soccer coach Chad Brooks has been elevated to head men's soccer coach. Former head coach Corey Brueggeman recently stepped down from the position to accept the role of director of men's soccer operations at Ohio State University.

Brooks has served as an assistant coach for the Black and Gold for the past three seasons. In 2020-21, freshman Harley Kruschwitz was named the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference Newcomer of the Year. Kruschwitz was a Second Team All-Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference honoree, as was Julian Keough, Keegan Wondergem, and Cory Mitchell. Josh Gonzalez, who ended his storied career ranked in the top 10 in goals and points at Manchester, earned Honorable Mention All-HCAC recognition.

In 2019, the men's soccer program advanced to its third straight Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference Tournament appearance. Manchester posted a 6-3 record in HCAC play in 2019 and had three players earn All-HCAC recognition.

In his first season with the Black and Gold in 2018,



BROOKS

Brooks saw Manchester soccer produce the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference Offensive MVP in Josh Gonzalez. Gonzalez also became the first United Soccer Coaches All-Great Lakes Region player for Manchester in 11 years. Brooks worked with five All-HCAC selections and helped the team earn a berth in the 2018 Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference Tournament.

Before joining the sidelines at Manchester, Brooks was an assistant coach for the Indiana Tech men's soccer program for two seasons. While with the Warriors, Brooks coached six All-Wolverine Hoosier Athletic Conference honorees and the Warriors had three players earn United Soccer Coaches NAIA All-Mideast Region honors.

Brooks has a pair of United Soccer Coaches Special Topic diplomas.

An Indiana Tech men's soccer alum, Brooks was an NAIA and WHAC academic honoree as a senior. He was also awarded the program's Mettle and Dr. LeRoy Walker Character honors. He also earned a spot on the WHAC Champions of Character list. Chad graduated in 2016 with a bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in sports management.

Chad and his wife, Rachel, reside in Fort Wayne.

MU men's soccer picked fourth in HCAC preseason poll

Spartans will begin the 2021 season Sept. 1 against Trine

By DILLON BENDER

With the 2021 fall men's soccer season set to begin on the first day of September, the Manchester University Spartans will look to make another run towards the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC) Tournament.

The HCAC announced its preseason poll Tuesday morning, in which the Spartans found themselves once again picked to finish within the top four of the league.

In a vote amongst league coaches, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology was slated to win the conference, earning 76 points and five first-place votes. Not far behind in second was Hanover College, who earned 73 points and five first-place votes. Transylvania was predicted to finish third in Wednesday's poll, picking up 66 points.

The Black and Gold were slated to finish fourth after earning 55 points. Manchester has finished in fourth place of the league standings in each of the past four seasons, following 6-3 marks in HCAC play.

Head Coach Chad Brooks will enter his first season at the helm of the men's soccer program. Brooks served as an assistant at Manchester for the past three years and was elevated to head coach earlier this month.

Four Spartans were tabbed as "Players to Watch" by the league office on Wednesday morning.

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er of the Year Harley Kruschwitz, from North Manchester and Manchester High School, will look to once again power the Manchester offense. Kruschwitz scored eight goals in 10 games this spring. He fired 25 total shots, placing 13 of them on goal. Kruschwitz also tallied three

game-winning goals.

Fellow sophomores Julian Keough, from Indianapolis and Pike High School, and Cory Mitchell, from Maitland, Florida, and Winter Park High School, were also named to the HCAC "Players to Watch" list on Wednesday. Both Spartans were Second

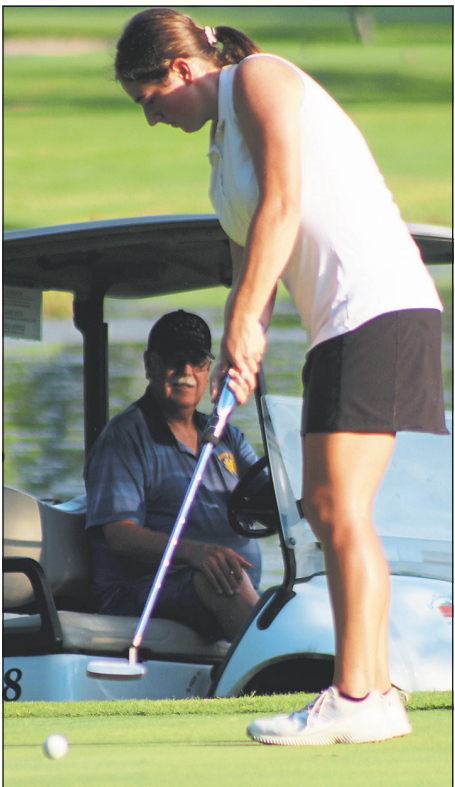
Team All-HCAC selections this past spring.

The final Spartan tabbed as a "Player to Watch" was senior Keegan Wondergem, from Jenison, Michigan, and Hudsonville High School. Wondergem brings a veteran and physical presence to the Manchester lineup. He has started all but one game during his time in a Black and Gold uniform and was a Second Team All-HCAC selection this past spring.

The 2021 season kicks off on Wednesday, Sept. 1 with a home match against regional rival Trine University. The Spartans and Thunder will clash in Spartan Stadium beginning at 3:30 p.m.

HCAC play will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 29 with a home match against Franklin College.

WABASH VARSITY GIRLS GOLF TEAM BEATS ROCHESTER



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On Wednesday, the Wabash High School girls varsity golf beat Rochester High School by a score of 207-208. After Wednesday's match, the Apaches were back in action Thursday. On Thursday, the Wabash High School girls varsity golf team fell to Warsaw High School by a score of 186-205. They will be back in action Monday at Whitko High School.

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Gospel Light Assembly of God, 347 Southwood Drive. Pastor Neil Jeffrey. Sunday School 9:45am (all ages). Morning worship service 10:30am. Evening service 6pm. Wednesday midweek service 7pm; Kids' Korral Wednesday 7pm. Youth meeting 7pm (ages 12-19).

 **Sweetwater Assembly of God**, 2551 SR 114 E, North Manchester. (260) 982-6179. Sunday worship 9am & 10:45am. Sunday evening outreach groups & youth ministry 5-7pm. Wednesday 6:30pm adult/teen bible study, 6:30pm Kidz Zone (K thru 6th grade). All worship services streaming online and on our Facebook page.


BAPTIST

Emmanuel Free Will Baptist, 129 Southwood Drive. Pastor Terry Hinds. (260) 563-3009. Sunday School 9:30am. Sunday Worship 10:30am & 6pm; Children's Church 10:30am. Wednesday morning prayer service 11am. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm. Transportation available. Sunday worship services streaming on our Facebook page

Southside Free Will Baptist, 360 Columbus Street. Pastor Tim Webb. Sunday School 10am. Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6pm. Sunday worship services streaming online

 **Wabash Free Will Baptist Church**, 1056 Erie Street. Wednesday evening prayer meeting 6pm. Sunday School 10am, Church 11am; evening service 6pm.

CATHOLIC

 **St. Bernard Catholic Church**, corner of Cass & Sinclair. Father Levi Nkwocha. Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m. Face masks and social distancing required.


 **St. Patrick's Catholic Church**, Main Street in Lagro, Welcomes You Back! New Service Time 11:00 AM Sunday, October 4, Sunday November 1 and Sunday December 6. In keeping with COVID-19 State Rules, please wear a mask and socially distance. Let Us Worship Together.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

 **Christian Heritage Church**, 2776 River Road. (260) 569-7710. Pastor Tim Prater. Sunday 8:30am. Radio Ministry 95.9 WKUZ. Sunday School 9:30am. Morning Service 10:30am. Sunday evening 6pm. Wednesday evening 6pm. Online services on Sunday at 10:30 am and Wednesday 6:00 pm

LaFontaine Christian Church, 202 Bruner Pike, LaFontaine. Minister Brad Wright. (765) 981-2101. Worship 9am & 10:30am, Nursery & Jr. Church available. Online Services available on our website

CHURCH OF CHRIST

 **Church of Christ**, Wabash (corner of N Wabash Street and US 24). Evangelist Josh Fennell (260) 563-8234. Sunday School 9am. Morning Worship 10am. Evening Worship 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Wednesday Kid's Jam 7pm.

CHURCH OF GOD

First Church of God, 525 N. Miami Street. Pastor Robert Rensberger. (260) 563-5346. Sunday School at 9:15am, for all ages. Continental breakfast at 10am. Sunday Morning Worship is at 10:30am. Nursery care is available during worship service. Stair lift available.


CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

 **Wabash Church of the Brethren**, 645 Bond Street (off Falls Avenue). Pastor Doug Veal. (260) 563-5291. Wherever you are on life's journey, come join us as we continue the work of Jesus... Peacefully, Simply, Together. Sunday School 9:30am. Worship 10:30am. Children's church and nursery available during worship. Online Service through website or conference call.

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

 **Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**, 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Stephen Eberhard, Minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: www.wabashchristian.org. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on YouTube and Facebook.

FRIENDS CHURCH

 **Wabash Friends Church**, 3563 S State Rd 13. (260) 563-8452. Lead Pastor, Brandon Eaton. Join us for in-person worship at 8:30AM or 10:45AM, or via live-stream on Facebook at 10:45AM. Children's programming available infants - 6th grade. Sunday school for all ages at 9:45AM. Youth (7th-12th) Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

 **Bachelor Creek Church of Christ**, 4 miles north of Wabash on St. Rd. 15; phone 260-563-4109; website: bachelorcreek.com; Worship Minister - Michael Eaton, Student Minister - David Diener, Children's Minister - Tyler Leland, Middle School & Small Groups Minister - Nate Plyler, Next Steps & Outreach Minister - Ryan Keim, Women's Director- Taylor McFarland, Early Childhood Director - Janet Legesse. Worship 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.


LUTHERAN

Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC), 242 S. Huntington St., Wabash, IN. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 a.m. with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship. Worship Services live streamed on our website. www.LivingFaithWabash.org

Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! tlcwabash@gmail.com.

UNITED METHODIST

 **North Manchester United Methodist Church**, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Steve Bahrt. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

 **Richvalley United Methodist Church**, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Pastor Jack Suits. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all age.



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Joshua 22:10-34	Joshua 23:1-16	Joshua 24:1-18	Joshua 24:19-33	Judges 13:1-25	Judges 15:9-20	Numbers 6:1-27
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